

Covina TODAY



PARKS & RECREATION ACTIVITIES GUIDE

What's happening at Covina Park?



New Playground and Challenge Course!



COMING SOON!

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City Department Information



City Hall, Parks & Recreation Department, and Public Works Holiday Closures:

Friday, December 24-Friday, December 31 (Furlough)
Monday, January 17 (Martin Luther King, Jr. Day)
Monday, February 21 (President's Day)

COVINA CITY HALL

Location: 125 E. College St., Covina, CA 91723

Service Hours: Monday-Thursday, 7 am-6 pm

City Administration

Administration/City Manager's Office (626) 384-5410

City Clerk/Records Management (626) 384-5430

Community Development

Building Division (626) 384-5460

Inspection Scheduling (626) 384-5461

Code Enforcement (626) 384-5470

Housing Programs (626) 384-5400 x-5906

Planning Division (626) 384-5450

Finance Department

Customer Service (626) 384-5510

Water Bill Inquiries (626) 384-5230

Business Licenses (626) 384-5512

Human Resources

Customer Service (626) 384-5555

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Location: 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave. Covina, CA 91722

Service Hours: Monday-Thursday and alternating Fridays,
9:30 am-5:30 pm

Open Fridays: Dec. 3, 17, Jan. 14, 28, Feb. 11, 25, Mar. 11

Customer Service (626) 384-5340

Active Adults/Senior Services (626) 384-5380

Event Sponsorship Programs (626) 384-5344

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Location: 534 N. Barranca Ave., Covina, CA 91723

Lobby Hours: Monday-Thursday, 6 am-4:30 pm

Customer Service (626) 384-5220

After Hours Non Emergency Service (626) 384-5808

Engineering Division (626) 384-5490

Environmental Division (626) 384-5480

Transportation Division (626) 384-5520

COVINA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Location: 234 N. Second Ave., Covina, CA 91723

Service Hours: **Varies, see Library Section**

Customer Service/Circulation Desk (626) 384-5303

Children's Services (626) 384-5312

Literacy Services (626) 384-5280

COVINA POLICE DEPARTMENT

Location: 444 N. Citrus Ave., Covina, CA 91723

Lobby Hours: Monday-Friday, 8 am-5 pm

Service Hours: The Covina Police Department operates 24 hours
a day/7 days a week for emergency response.

Customer Service (626) 331-3391

24-Hour Non Emergency Number (626) 384-5808

Graffiti Hotline (626) 384-5599

OTHER HELPFUL CONTACT INFORMATION

Athens Services (Trash/refuse services) (626) 336-6100

Covina Chamber of Commerce (626) 967-4191

Covina Concert Band (626) 332-0020

Covina Valley Historical Society (626) 966-9871

Covina Farmers' Market (928) 854-1105

Inland Valley Humane Society (909) 623-9777

Los Angeles County Services Help Line 211

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Council Member	Walter Allen, III
Council Member	Victor Linares
Council Member	John C. King
City Treasurer	Geoffrey Cobbett
City Clerk	Mary Lou Walczak



Executive Team

City Manager	Chris Marcarello
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Police Chief	David Povero
Chief Deputy City Clerk	Nicole Alvarez
Director of Community Development	Brian Lee
Director of Public Works	Andy Bullington
Director of Administrative Services	Anita Agramonte
Director of Parks & Recreation and Library Services	Lisa Evans

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Covina **TODAY** | WINTER 2022

CALLING ALL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS! 2022 SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR YEAR-ROUND CITY EVENTS

Support your community!
Get more for your advertising dollar by sponsoring City events.

**SPONSORSHIP PACKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE
BEGINNING MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2022**

Please email sponsorships@covinaca.gov



HOLIDAY PARKING ENFORCEMENT MORATORIUM

Happy Holidays
from the Covina Police
Department!

Overnight parking permits for
on-street parking will not be
needed for the following days:

Christmas and New Years
2-4 am, Monday-Sunday,
December 20-January 2
(enforcement resumes at 2 am on
Monday, January 3)



WE ARE



CHALKING UP



A GREAT PLAN FOR THE

CHALK ART FESTIVAL

ARTISTS & VENDORS - LOOK FOR MORE INFO AVAILABLE IN FEBRUARY!

SAVE THE DATE!

Two great events, one great day!

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022

COVINA PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

CHALK WALK
CITRUS 5K



IT WILL BE A BLAST OF COLOR FUN!



PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.,
(626) 384-5340

Email: parksandrecreation@covinaca.gov

FOR OFFICE HOURS AND HOLIDAYS CLOSURES, SEE PAGE 2

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Chair Rosie Richardson, Vice-Chair Cicero Salmon, Denae Amaya, Robert Moreno, Beverly Williams

Commission Meetings: *Fourth Weds. bimonthly* (*Jan., March, May, July, Sept., Nov.)

Time: 6:30 pm, **Location:** Parks & Recreation office

Message from the Director:

Greetings Covina Families!

It's hard to believe that another year is coming to an end. While overall 2021 seemed much better than 2020, we still faced many challenges as we continue our journey back to pre-pandemic normalcy. At times, it seems it may never get back to what it was, but the hope is that we get back to something even better. When we go through difficult times, we can't help but come out stronger on the other side. I believe that is true for each of us personally, as well as for our community as a whole.

As I write this message, I have just enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday. And yes, it was much better than 2020, as our family once again gathered together to enjoy each other's company and some really delicious food! I hope that all our Covina families are enjoying their own traditions this season with family and friends.

At this time of year, I can't help but reflect on the things for which I am grateful. On a professional level, my mind immediately goes to the incredible team of employees that I am fortunate enough to work with each day. From our front-line staff who work directly with our participants, patrons, and residents, to our Coordinators, Supervisors, and administrative staff who do the detailed planning and organizing necessary to ensure we are providing the highest quality service, programs, activities, and events, and finally our city management who provides direction and support for all we do, this entire team is committed to serving the community in the best way possible.

The supervisory staff of the Parks & Recreation and Library Services Department have done an extraordinary job this past year bringing back so many programs and events that make our town so special. While adjustments

still had to be made to comply with Health Department regulations, they figured out a way to have movies and concerts happen, to expand youth sports programming, to provide lunches for our seniors, to open our Library doors, and so much more! Most recently, our Halloween Trick-or-Treat event and Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony were huge successes! These staff rarely get the recognition they deserve, so I wanted everyone to at least know their names - Melody Hynes, Lilly Jimenez, Yvette Macias-Franklin, Veronica Palacios, and Krystal Smith. This strong, intelligent, dedicated group of women continues to impress and amaze me.

As we look forward to the new year, as a Department, we will strive to meet the everchanging needs of our community. Our Library will restore additional hours for public access and slowly bring back in-person programming. Our sports programs and classes will continue to evolve and expand. Our pool will open earlier in the Spring for lessons and swim team. More special events will return and our new 5Ks will keep everyone moving! We are also happy to announce that through funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, our Build a Dream Scholarship program will be available to assist with program fees for our Covina families who are struggling financially. We hope this will make our programs and activities accessible to all our residents.

On behalf of the entire Parks & Recreation and Library Services team, I wish you all a joyous holiday season, and good health and happiness in 2022!

Warmest regards,

Lisa Evans

Director of Parks & Recreation and Library Services

CAMP COVINA



Ages: 6-12

Location: Cougar Park, 150 W. Puente Street

Days/Time: Monday–Friday, 7:30 am–5:30 pm



SPRING CAMP APRIL 4-8

Bring the summer fun into spring! Join us this spring vacation as we provide children with a fun, safe place to spend their days away from school. Exciting activities, including arts and crafts, sports, games and much more will be offered daily. A special event presentation will take place during the week. Campers must bring their own lunch, and snacks will be provided daily. Campers must be at least age 6 and in the 1st grade prior to their first day of camp (NO EXCEPTIONS). Space is limited, so register now!

Fee: \$150 per child (Full payment is due at the time of registration.)

Refund deadline: Monday, March 28 (no refunds if registering after March 28)

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Dates: Feb.7-April 1 or until filled, whichever comes first

Online: www.covinaca.gov/parksrec Phone-in: (626) 384-5340

Walk-in: Covina Parks & Recreation Department, 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.

Please note that health screening will be required prior to entering the building.

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday and alternate Fridays, 9:30 am-5:30 pm



PLEASE NOTE: Program formats have been adjusted to comply with all state and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Orders. Health screenings will be conducted daily and participants are required to wear a facial covering during the camp.

SAVE THE DATE - SUMMER CAMP 2021!

Registration for summer begins April 25. See Spring issue of Covina Today for all the details!

YOUTH SPORTS & OUTDOOR FITNESS

All programs are coed – boys and girls play together. All participants receive a T-shirt.

FOR YOUR SAFETY AND OURS...

The City has restructured our Youth Sports and Outdoor Fitness Camp to accommodate appropriate physical distancing, increased cleaning protocols, and implemented new safety measures, while continuing to provide a high-quality, skill-building program for all participants. All programs have been modified to meet the guidelines provided by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Orders. Facial coverings/masks are required when arriving to and departing from the programs. Face mask maybe required for certain age groups or when physical distancing is not possible.

EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

All programs require participants to wear closed-toe athletic shoes (t-ball cleats are recommended). T-Ball: Glove required

PARENT AND ME BASKETBALL

The Parent & Me Basketball program, for children 18 months-3 years, focuses on developing participants' motor skills as well as beginning to build the basic skills specific to the sport. Coaches will guide each parent/child group through a variety of fun exercises and games that encourage positive play and socialization. The season will conclude with a short informal scrimmage game.

LITTLE TOTS

The Little Tots program provides 3- to 4-year-olds with a fun and exciting noncompetitive environment in which they can experience sports for the first time. The first part of the program consists of drills and the last few weeks children play friendly games. Program is coed – boys and girls play together. Participants must be age 3 by the first day of the program - NO exceptions!

YOUTH SPORTS

This program is for ages 5-13 years. The program provides instruction and fun for participants in a noncompetitive atmosphere. Sessions are led by trained staff who emphasize each child's individual skill development by raising self-esteem and developing a joy for the sport. The program covers fundamental skills, and scrimmage games are played to incorporate the skills taught.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Online: www.covinaca.gov/parksrec

Phone-in: (626) 384-5340

Walk-in: Covina Parks and Recreation Department
1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.

Office Hours: 9:30 am-5:30 pm, Monday-Thursday
and alternating Fridays.

Dates: Now-the first week of program or until filled

REFUND POLICY

Full refunds may be requested prior to the first day of the program. Prorated refunds are provided if requested after the first day of the program, but before the second day of the program. No refunds are provided after the second day of the program has taken place, regardless of whether it has been attended or not.



T-BALL

T-BALL

Location: Hollenbeck Park, 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.

Program	Days	Times	Program Dates	Fee (per person)
Little Tots T-Ball (3-4)	Tuesday	5-5:45 pm	Jan. 25-March 15	\$74
Little Tots T-Ball (3-4)	Thursday	5-5:45 pm	Jan. 25-March 17	\$74
T-Ball (5-7)	Tuesday/Thursday	6-6:50 pm	Jan. 25-March 17	\$100



BASKETBALL

Location: Covina Park, 301 N. Fourth Avenue

Program	Days	Times	Program Dates	Fee (per person)
Parent & Me Basketball (18 mos-3 yrs)	Saturday	9-9:30 am	Jan. 29-March 19	\$74
Parent & Me Basketball (18 mos-3 yrs)	Monday	5-5:30 pm	Jan. 24-March 14	\$74
Little Tots Basketball (3-4)	Saturday	9:30-10:15 am	Jan. 29-March 19	\$74
Little Tots Basketball (3-4)	Wednesday	5-5:45 pm	Jan. 24-March 16	\$74
Basketball (5-7)	Monday/Wednesday	6-6:50 pm	Jan. 24-March 16	\$100
Basketball (8-10)	Tuesday/Thursday	5-5:50 pm	Jan. 25-March 17	\$100
Basketball (11-13)	Tuesday/Thursday	6-6:50 pm	Jan. 25-March 17	\$100

MULTI-SPORT

Football, pickleball, futsal, and lacrosse! Ages 9-12

What a great way to try new sports! This 8-week camp will introduce participant to the foundational aspects of these four sports! Each two weeks will focus on a new sport and skill development through drills and fun games. Practices will be led by trained staff who will use special techniques to encourage and raise self-esteem through the enjoyment of participating in each sport.

Location: Covina Park, 301 N. Fourth Avenue

Program	Days	Times	Program Dates	Fee (per person)
Multi-Sport (9-12)	Saturday	10:30-11:20 am	Jan. 29-March 19	\$74



VOLLEYBALL

This camp for ages 8-13 is designed to provide volleyball skills in a noncompetitive atmosphere. Each week will focus on passing, setting, hitting, and serving skills. Instruction is provided in a fun, engaging atmosphere by staff who emphasize each child's individual skill development through encouragement and raising self-esteem.

Location: Hollenbeck Park, 1250 N. Hollenbeck Avenue

Program	Days	Times	Program Dates	Fee (per person)
Volleyball (8-10)	Monday/Wednesday	5-5:50 pm	Jan. 24-March 16	\$100
Volleyball (11-13)	Monday/Wednesday	6-6:50 pm	Jan. 24-March 16	\$100

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For more information or
T.E.A.M. application,
please email
teen@covina.gov
or call (626) 384-5340

Covina's

T. E. A. M.

Teens Endeavor to Accomplish More

- Teen Volunteer Opportunities
- Impact Your Community
- Meet Other Teens
- Gain Valuable Work Experience
- Build Your Resume



COVINA'S T.E.A.M. MEETINGS

DAY & TIME: Tuesdays, 6 pm

DATES: January 11, February 8, March 8

LOCATION: Cougar Park Community Center

Covina Farmers Market

Stop by for fresh produce, nuts, and honey.

Day & Time: Fridays, 5-9 pm

Location: Heritage Plaza, 400 N. Citrus Ave.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Website: www.covinafarmersmarket.com

Phone: (928) 854-1105

Email: cfm@covinafarmersmarket.com

2022 SPRING AQUATIC PROGRAM



Michael D. Antonovich Aquatic Center
Covina Park, 301 N. Fourth Ave.



Registration - Starts January 3

ONLINE: www.covinaca.gov/parksrec
BY PHONE: (626) 384-5340
IN PERSON: Parks & Recreation office
1250 N. Hollenbeck Avenue

****Registration only accepted until 12 pm on the Thursday prior to each session start date, or until filled, whichever occurs first. Programs fill quickly, so register early!****

Group Swim Lessons

DATES: Session 1: March 7-17
Session 2: March 21-31
Session 3: April 4-14
Session 4: April 18-28
Session 5: May 2-12
DAYS: Monday-Thursday (8 days)
FEE: \$76 per session

Barracuda Swim Team

DATES: Session 1: March 7-April 7
Session 2: April 11-May 12
DAYS: Monday-Thursday
TIMES: Ages 6-10: 6:00-6:45 pm
Ages 11-14: 7:00-8:00 pm
Ages 15-17: 7:00-8:15 pm
FEES: \$125 per session

Swim Lesson Schedule

TIME	LEVEL/AGE	LEVEL/AGE	LEVEL/AGE	LEVEL/AGE	LEVEL/AGE
4:00 - 4:40 pm	Level 1—Ages 4-6	Level 1—Ages 7-12	Level 2—Ages 4-6	Level 2—Ages 7-12	Level 3—Ages 5-12
4:45 - 5:25 pm	Level 1—Ages 4-6	Level 1—Ages 7-12	Level 2—Ages 4-6	Level 2—Ages 7-12	Level 3—Ages 5-12
5:30 - 6:10 pm	Level 1—Ages 4-6	Level 1—Ages 7-12	Level 2—Ages 4-6	Level 2—Ages 7-12	Level 3—Ages 5-12
6:15 - 6:55 pm	Level 3—Ages 5-12	Level 4—Ages 5-12	Level 4—Ages 5-12	Level 5—Ages 5-12	Teen—Ages 13-16

Safety Precautions

Program formats have been modified to comply with current LA County Department of Public Health guidelines.

- Parents must assess their child's health prior to coming to lessons each day. **If child is showing any symptoms of illness (cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell) or elevated temperature, then they must not come to the pool.**
- A health assessment, including temperature check, may be conducted by staff for each participant prior to entering pool deck area.
- Participants must arrive to pool in their swimsuits, as **no locker rooms/changing facilities will be available.**
- Facial coverings are required upon arrival to and departure from the pool area. Parents/Guardians must keep facial coverings on at all times when in pool area if in close proximity to other parents/participants/staff.

Important Information

- Transfers or credits **MUST** be requested by 12 pm on the Thursday prior to session start date.
- **NO REFUNDS** will be issued for aquatic programs, **NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- **No refunds, credits or makeups for classes canceled due to fecal/biohazard incidents or inclement weather, or for classes missed by participant.**
- All programs subject to change or cancellation due to low enrollment or other factors.
- **Pool is heated!**



DAY TRIPS

Travelers will need to follow current county and state guidelines for each trip destination, protocols to board the bus and while onboard the bus. Ages 6-Adult. Under 18 years must be accompanied by an adult.

Registration

Online: www.covinaca.gov/parksrec
Walk-in: Covina Parks & Recreation Department, 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.
Hours: Monday-Thursday and alternate Fridays, 9:30 am-5:30 pm;
or Senior and Community Center, 815 N. Barranca Ave.
Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm, and Fridays, 8:30 am-1:30 pm
Phone: (626) 384-5380

TRIP CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS

Cancellations must be made by the deadline stated to be eligible for refund.

All trips depart from and return to the Senior and Community Center, 815 N. Barranca Ave.

TOUR OF SAM COBB DATE FARM AND SHOPPING AT DESERT HILLS PREMIUM OUTLETS

Let us take you on a farm tour where you will spend some time with the real Sam Cobb, the actual man who started it all at the Sam Cobb Date Farm! Join Sam on a walking tour among the palms, learning first-hand how dates are grown, their sustainability in desert environments and how new date varieties are developed. Sample some dates right from the tree and have all your date questions answered. Afterwards shop till your hearts content at the Desert Hills Premium Outlets, home to the largest collection of luxury outlets in California. The outdoor shopping center features 180 designer stores and you'll have time to have lunch on your own. Moderate walking and prolonged standing and sitting.

Date & Time: Saturday, January 22, 9 am-6:30 pm
Fee: \$45 (lunch not included)

Refund Deadline: December 16

CASA ROMANTICA TOUR AND SHOPPING ON AVENIDA DEL MAR

Join us for a docent-led tour of the Casa Romantica Cultural Center and Gardens in San Clemente. On the tour you will learn about the historic house and discover art, history, and culture. You will be able to explore the lush gardens and take in the scenic views. Casa Romantica strives to be accessible to everyone. While some parts of our property are limited by their historic architecture, you may need to navigate some uneven paths in the gardens (optional). The Cultural Center

recognizes the importance of public gardens and cultural centers as indispensable to the community and would like to offer a chance at much-needed interaction with nature, history, and artistic inspiration. Afterwards you will have time to shop and dine on your own just blocks away at Avenida Del Mar, with several eateries, shopping outlets, boutiques, art galleries, wine bars, and more. Moderate walking, garden area with some uneven paths (optional), prolonged standing and sitting.

Date & Time: Saturday, Feb. 12, 8 am-4:30 pm

Fee: \$35 (lunch not included)

Refund Deadline: January 12

FLOWER FIELDS AT CARLSBAD RANCH AND CARLSBAD PREMIUM OUTLETS

You don't want to miss out on this. For over 60 years, mother nature has transformed the rolling hills of North San Diego County into one of the most spectacular and coordinated displays of natural color and beauty. We take a guided tour of 50 acres of Giant Tecolote Ranunculus flowers that make up the Flower Fields at Carlsbad Ranch. The annual burst of color is one of nature's official ways of announcing the arrival of Spring. Then were off to the Carlsbad Premium Outlets where you can have lunch and shop on your own. Moderate to extensive walking and prolonged sitting.

Date & Time: Sat., March 19, 8:30 am-5:30 pm

Fee: \$42 (lunch not included)

Refund Deadline: February 17



CLASSES

PLEASE NOTE: Program formats may be adjusted to comply with county and state health orders

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Walk-in: Covina Parks and Recreation Dept.
1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.

Hours: 9:30 am-5:30 pm, Monday-Thursday
and alternating Fridays.

Phone-in: (626) 384-5380

Walk-in: Senior and Community Center,
815 N. Barranca Ave.

Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm,
and Fridays, 8:30 am-1:30 pm

REFUND POLICY

Full refunds may be requested prior to the first day of a class. Prorated refunds are provided if requested after the first class, but before the second class. No refunds are provided after the second class has taken place, regardless of whether it has been attended or not. For any Private Lessons, full refunds may be requested a minimum of 24 hours before the class begins. After that time, a refund will only be issued if the spot is resold. Absolutely no refunds issued after the session begins.

CLASS LOCATIONS

Hollfelder Teen Center, 301 N. Fourth Ave. (Covina Park)
Recreation Hall, 340 N. Valencia Pl. (Covina Park)
Hollenbeck Park, 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.
Cougar Park, 150 W. Puente St.
Heritage Plaza, 400 N. Citrus Ave.
Senior and Community Center, 815 N. Barranca Ave.

YOUTH SPECIAL INTEREST

ALL MATERIAL FEES must be paid to instructor at first class.

“IT’S THE LITTLE THINGS” ETIQUETTE CLASS

Learn everyday etiquette, tact, table manners, handling bullying and social situations. Ages 8-12.

Instructor: Christina Meacham

Location: Senior and Community Center

Date & Time: Saturday, January 29, 9 am-12:30 pm

Fee: \$35/1 day, plus \$5 material fee

CHESS Ages 8-17

Instructor: Devin Thomas Measom

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: January 11

Day & Time: Tuesday, 4:30-5:30 pm

Fee: \$56/8 weeks

TOT PARTIES WITH TERRI THOMAS

Parent participation required for all Tot Parties.
Ages 18 months-5 years.

Location: Covina Park, Recreation Hall

Fee: \$8/1 day, plus \$5 material fee

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! VALENTINE TOT PARTY TIME

“Love is in the Air” on this special day so let’s celebrate with a party! Join us for music, crafts and yummy snacks to take home.

Date & Time: Friday, Feb. 11, 12:30-1:30 pm

SUPER HERO TOT ADVENTURE PARTY

KAPOW! Keep your secret identity safe by dressing up as your favorite superhero. ZAP! Show off your awesome powers putting together crafts. KRUNCH, into a flavorful snack to take home, BOOM! BAM! WHAM! You are about to have a smashing powerfully fun time.

Date & Time: Friday, March 11, 1-2 pm

MAGIC FOR YOUTH Ages 8-17

Learn the basics of magic and sleight of hand.

Instructor: Devin Thomas Measom

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: January 11

Day & Time: Tuesday, 3:30-4:30 pm

Fee: \$64/8 weeks, plus \$10 material fee

PARENT & ME WIGGLES & GIGGLES

Fun movement, music and exercise for parent and child.
Parent participation required. Ages 1-3.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Location: Covina Park, Recreation Hall

Beginning: January 13

Day & Time: Thursday, 11 am-11:45 am

Fee: \$40/8 weeks, plus \$15 material fee

TOTALLY TOTS

Toddlers will experience learning fun through play, such as painting, solving puzzles, playing with play dough. Your little one will be discovering phonics, shapes, colors, numbers, days of the week and months of the year through songs. Parent participation required. Ages 18 months-4 years.

Instructors: Vihulu Villagran & Diana De la Cruz

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: January 12

Day & Time: Wednesday, 6-7 pm

Fee: \$72/8 weeks, plus \$15 material fee

ARTS & CRAFTS

ALL MATERIAL FEES must be paid to instructor at first class.

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Explore the basics of watercolor paintings and create fun pictures. Ages 5-10.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Location: Covina Park, Teen Center

Beginning: January 14

Day & Time: Friday, 4:15-5:15 pm

Fee: \$72/8 weeks, plus \$25 material fee

YOUNG REMBRANDTS DRAWING CLASSES

All new lessons that meet California State Standards for Visual Arts. All materials are included.

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: February 7, No class February 21

Fee: \$48/4 weeks

PRESCHOOL DRAWING

This class is specifically designed with the needs of young learners in mind. We provide a positive, nurturing environment while students learn to draw and develop skills that prepare them for Kindergarten. As students draw and color fun, familiar objects, they practice following directions and staying on task. Ages 4-5.

Day & Time: Monday, 3-3:55 pm

BASICS OF ELEMENTARY AND CARTOON DRAWING

This class combines our essential basics of drawing and our humorous cartoon curriculum. Students improve drawing skill, understanding of concepts, and increase art vocabulary as well as create silly characters and story sequences that tell jokes. All new lessons that meet California State Standards for Visual Arts. All materials are included. Ages 6-12.

Day & Time: Monday, 4-4:55 pm

TINY TOT ARTS & CRAFTS

Hands on arts & craft activities designed to bring out creativity. Parent participation required. Ages 2-4.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Location: Covina Park, Teen Center

Beginning: January 14

Day & Time: Friday, 3-3:45 pm

Fee: \$30/5 weeks, plus \$15 material fee

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Explore the basics of watercolor paintings and create fun pictures. Ages 5-10.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Location: Covina Park, Teen Center

Beginning: January 14

Day & Time: Friday, 4:15-5:15 pm

Fee: \$72/8 weeks, plus \$25 material fee

NEW! ACRYLIC PAINTING WORKSHOP FOR KIDS

We will brighten our world with a painting of a lighthouse. Children can express themselves artistically on canvas and create a masterpiece they will love and share. No painting experience is required, just a love for the arts! Ages 7-11.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Location: Covina Park, Teen Center

Dates: March 18

Day & Time: Friday, 4:15-5:30 pm

Fee: \$8/1 day, plus \$15 material fee paid to instructor at first class

WATERCOLOR PAINTING FOR SENIORS

Class is geared for beginners and teaches the basic techniques of watercolor painting. No class Jan. 17 and Feb. 21.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: January 10

Day & Time: Monday, 11 am-12:30 pm

Fee: \$40/8 weeks, plus \$20 material fee paid to instructor at first class

ACRYLIC PAINTING WORKSHOP FOR SENIORS

Painting is good for the soul. Experience the joy of painting in a basic acrylic painting workshop where students are encouraged to express themselves artistically on canvas and create a masterpiece they will love and share. No painting experience is required, just a love for the arts! Ages 18-Adult.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Location: Senior and Community Center

Dates: January 25 (Winter Wonderland)
February 15 (Flowers)
March 15 (Reflections)

Day & Time: Tuesday, 9-11:15 am

Fee: \$8/1 day, plus \$15 material fee paid to instructor at first class

DANCE

ALL DANCE CLASSES take place at the Covina Park, Recreation Hall (unless otherwise noted).

BABY BALLET/CREATIVE DANCE

Parent participation required. Ballet attire and ballet shoes recommended. Ages 2-4.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Beginning: January 13

Day & Time: Thursday, 9:15-9:55 am

Fee: \$40/8 weeks

DANCE WITH SHAWNA COOK

Ballet attire recommended. Ballet shoes required.

Beginning: January 11 or 15
No class February 19.

TINY TOTS BALLET - Ages 3-4

Days & Times: Tuesday, 3:15-4 pm,
Saturday, 9-9:45 am

Fee: \$48/8 weeks

Beginning BALLET - Ages 5-12

Days & Times: Tuesday, 4-4:50 pm (Ages 5-6),
Saturday, 10-10:50 am (Ages 5-6);
11-11:50 am (Ages 7-12)

Fee: \$56/8 weeks

TINY TOT TAP AND BALLET Ages 3-4.

Ballet attire, tap and ballet shoes recommended.

Instructor: Terri Thomas

Beginning: January 13
Day & Time: Thursday, 10-10:45 am
Fee: \$48/8 weeks

LINE DANCING

Learn the latest line dances step by step in a relaxed atmosphere. This class is also a great way to stay in shape. Ages 16-Adult. No class January 17 and February 21.

Instructor: Pam Wagoner
Location: Senior and Community Center
Beginning: January 10
Day & Times: Monday, 7-8 pm (Beginners),
8:15-9:15 pm (Intermediate)
Fee: \$40/8 weeks, Beg. or Int.,
\$60/8 weeks, Beg. and Int.

TRANQUIL BALLET

Relax to the movements and steps of ballet. We will stretch and exercise in a slower paced environment. Please wear shoes you can point and flex in. Ballet or Jazz shoes highly recommended. Ages 16-Adult.

Instructor: Sarah Hsu
Location: Senior and Community Center
Beginning: January 11
Day & Time: Tuesday, 9-9:45 am
Fee: \$56/8 weeks

EGYPTIAN BELLY DANCING

Beginning Belly Dance class covers basic figure eights and undulation movements along with basic turns and steps. Advance/Intermediate class covers beyond basic belly dance moves, including different types of shimmies and layering and much more. Ages 16-Adult.

Instructor: Arlene Mar
Location: Covina Park, Recreation Hall
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Beginning: January 12
Day & Times: Wednesday, 6:30-7:30 pm (Beg.)
7:30-8:30 pm (Adv./Int.)
Fee: \$64/8 weeks

LINE DANCING FOR SENIORS

Line dancing is a great way to exercise while having fun. Learn proper heel, toe steps along with simple dance routines. Shoes must have a backing (no flip flops). Ages 18-Adult.

Instructor: Pam Wagoner
Location: Senior and Community Center
Beginning: January 11
Day & Times: Tuesday, 1:30-2:30 pm (Beginners)
or 2:45-3:45 p.m. (Intermediate)
Fee: \$32/8 weeks

FITNESS

ZUMBA GOLD FITNESS®

Zumba Gold® combines low-impact, Latin-based dance fitness moves with a wide range of music to take the “work” out of the workout. Make sure to bring water, a towel, and get ready to have some fun! Ages 18-Adult. No class January 12, 17 and February 21.

Instructor: Alicia Flores
Location: Senior and Community Center
Beginning: January 10
Day & Times: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30-9:20 am
Fee: \$64/8 weeks, Monday or \$5 per class drop-in

ARTHRITIS EXERCISE CLASS

This class is designed to help people with any form of arthritis keep joints flexible, maintain range of motion and build overall stamina. Please bring your own weights and stretch bands. Ages 18-Adult. No class January 17 or February 21.

Instructor: Terri Thomas
Location: Senior and Community Center
Beginning: January 10, 12 or 14
Day & Times: Monday or Friday, 9:45-10:45 am or
Wednesday, 1:30-2:30 pm
Fee: \$16/8 weeks

BILLY'S BOOTCAMP

Class combines strength and agility training with a good dose of aerobics. These intense workouts burn calories and make you sweat, energize your body and mind. Ages 15-Adult.

Instructor: Bill Shuttic
Location: Senior and Community Center
Beginning: January 12
Day & Time: Wednesday, 7:30-8:30 pm
Fee: \$64/8 weeks

GENTLE HATHA YOGA

Learn poses to increase and strengthen your flexibility, balance and breathing to promote a healthy body. Learn relaxation exercises to reduce stress. Yoga mat required. No class Jan. 17 and Feb. 21.

Instructor: Nikki Valdez

Location: Senior & Community Center

Beginning: January 10

Day & Time: Monday, 9-10 am

Fee: \$56/8 weeks

TAI STRETCH (CHI KUNG)

Class includes a combination of isolated exercises for joints and muscles that may help with muscle or joint problems. Learn balance and strength through Tai Chi, and an introduction to "Chi Hula."

Instructor: Gabe (Tavanna) Van Leeuwen

Location: Senior & Community Center

Beginning: January 11

Day & Time: Tuesday, 10:15-11:15 am

Fee: \$18/6 weeks

BEGINNING GYMNASTICS

Preregistration is MANDATORY. Gymnastic classes introduce basic gymnastic fundamentals. Ages 18 months-3 years requires parent participation. (1 adult for each child). Every child must sign a Charter Oak Gymnastics waiver and submit directly to gym each calendar year prior to first class for the year.

Location: Charter Oak Gymnastics

My Jungle Gym (18 mos. – 5 years)

767 N. Dodsworth Ave.

Main Gym (Ages 6 & up)

841 N. Dodsworth Ave.

Session I: January 10, 12, 13 or 15

Session II: February 28, March 1, 2 or 5

Fee: \$84/6 weeks

Group	Age	Day	Times
Monkeys	18 mos.- 3 yrs.	Mon.	3-3:45 pm
Monkeys	18 mos.- 3 yrs.	Weds. or Sat.	9-9:45 am
Tigers	4-5 yrs.	Mon. or Tues. or Weds.	3-3:45 pm
Tigers	4-5 yrs.	Weds.	10-10:45 am
Youth	6-17 years	Mon. or Weds.	3-4 pm
Youth	6-17 years	Sat.	9-10 am
Urban Ninja	6-17 years	Weds.	3-4 pm
Urban Ninja	6-17 years	Sat.	9-10 am

TENNIS CLASSES

Bring a tennis racquet.

Instructor: Amalia Seresinghe

Location: Covina Park Tennis Courts

Fee: \$64/8 weeks

TENNIS FOR BEGINNERS

Beginning: January 11 or 13

AGES	DAYS	TIMES
9-12	Tuesday	6:30-7:30 pm
12-17	Thursday	8-9 pm

INTERMEDIATE TENNIS

Beginning: January 12 or 15

AGES	DAYS	TIMES
9-12	Wednesday	5:30-6:30 pm
9-12	Saturday	11 am-12 pm
12-17	Wednesday	6:30-7:30 pm

TEAM TENNIS FOR KIDS

This class is designed for those who intend to pursue tennis as a competitive sport. Requires completion of Intermediate Tennis and instructor's approval. Ages 9-13.

Beginning: January 13

Day & Time: Thursday, 6:30-8 pm

ADVANCED CLINIC

This is a program for advanced players. Includes stroke production, technique and fun, as well as competitive drills for both singles and doubles. Ages 10-17.

Beginning: January 11

Day & Time: Tuesday, 7:30-8:30 pm

TEAM TENNIS FOR ADULTS

Learn skills and strategies for competition and compete throughout class as singles or doubles. Participants may form teams to prepare for competition in the USTA Leagues.

Beginning: January 12

Day & Time: Wednesday, 8:30-10 pm

TENNIS FOR ADULT BEGINNERS

Beginning: January 11

Day & Time: Tuesday, 8:30-9:30 pm

ADULT INTERMEDIATE TENNIS

Good for fine tuning and correcting strokes and taking the next step in improving game skills. Learn overhead smash, lob, top spin, game strategy and much more.

Beginning: January 12

Day & Time: Wednesday, 7:30-8:30 pm

JAZZERCISE

Ages 15-Adult.

Instructor: Dena Garvin Smart

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: Continuous, begin anytime.
Register for classes at location.

Fee: \$20/class, \$50 unlimited monthly pass/ \$40 auto enroll

STRENGTH TRAINING

Forge the tight, lean body you're looking for while the pulse-pounding playlist distracts you from the burn. Fire up the muscles, all of them, in this 45-minute hard core muscle-sculpting, strength workout.

Days & Time: Tuesday/Thursday, 5:25-6:10 pm

JAZZERCISE

Torch fat, sculpt and crush calories with this high intensity workout that mixes dance-based cardio with strength training. Fresh pulse-pounding music and body-blasting moves bring the intensity to transform your body, boost your mood and ignite your energy.

Days & Times: Tuesday/Thursday, 6:15-7:15 pm;
Saturday, 8:15-9:15 am

FUNCTIONAL FITNESS

This is the easiest of the workouts. No push-ups. No sit-ups. No mat. This workout is a standing work out that focuses on balance, coordination, cardio, and light strength training. If you need a good starter work out to get back into shape, this is a great work out for you! Ages 18 & up.

Instructor: Bill Shuttic

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: January 11

Day & Time: Tuesday, 10:30 am-11:30 am

Fee: \$48/6 weeks

STROKE WORK OUT

One of the things you may need to work on after suffering a stroke is your balance. This workout will retrain your balance through various exercises. Re-wire your coordination, and as you increase your balance and coordination, you need to start rebuilding your strength. If you've just had a stroke and have no mobility at all, this workout is not for you. But if you've had a stroke and you've reached a plateau with your physical therapy, give this work out a try. Ages 18 & up.

Instructor: Bill Shuttic

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: January 11

Day & Time: Tuesday, 11:30 am-12:30 pm

Fee: \$48/6 weeks

FALL-PROOF BALANCE & MOBILITY

This is a great way to get moving again if you have simply been inactive or would like to begin to improve your health and sense of vitality. Ages 18 & up.

Instructor: Dan Layne

Location: Senior and Community Center

Beginning: January 15

Day & Time: Saturday, 11 am-12 pm

Fee: \$56/8 weeks

MAT PILATES

Strengthen your core with a group Mat Pilates class. Increase your flexibility and develop core strength. All levels welcome. Bring light hand weights, bands and workout mat. Ages 18-adult.

Instructor: Carol Cugno

Location: Cougar Park

Beginning: January 11 or 13

Days & Time: Tuesday and/or Thursday, 4:30-5:30 pm

Fee: \$49/7 weeks, Tues. or Thurs.

\$77/7 weeks, Tues. and Thurs. (combo)

TAI CHI MOVEMENT & RELAXATION

This easy to learn system of relaxed movements, provide strength and workout without physical exhaustion. Improve the mind's focus and regain lost ability of motion. Ages 12-Adult.

Instructor: Dan Layne

Location: Covina Park, Recreation Hall

Beginning: January 14

Day & Time: Friday, 6-7 pm

Fee: \$48/8 weeks

MUSIC

PREREGISTRATION is MANDATORY for all classes.

PRIVATE PIANO LESSONS IN PERSON OR BY ZOOM Ages 6-Adult.

At time of publishing classes will be held by ZOOM, classes will resume in person as soon as state and county guidelines allow. Students learn music theory fundamentals, along with proper piano technique. Must have access to a piano/keyboard for class and practice. Evaluation at first class to determine books. Half-hour private lessons. Your instructor broadcasts a live stream from the Senior & Community Center to your home. Register for your virtual class and we will send you a link prior to the start. Follow the link to "attend" via ZOOM. You can join the class using an internet connection and internet enabled device with a camera. You can also attend in-person. No class Jan. 21 or Feb. 21

Instructor: Devin Thomas Measom

Location: Virtual Live Classes with ZOOM or in-person at Senior Community Center

Beginning: January 10, 11 or 12

Days & Times: Mon., 3:30-8:30 pm, Tues., 6-7 pm ,
Weds., 3-5:30 pm

Fee: \$128/8 weeks, \$112/7 weeks (Mon. only)

ACTIVE ADULTS - 55+

SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER

815 N. Barranca Ave., Covina
(626) 384-5380

The City of Covina will welcome our older adult community back into the Senior and Community Center as soon as Los Angeles County Department of Public Health orders state it is safe to allow regular Senior Programming to resume! Until then, we are offering a variety of classes and limited programs currently allowed in the health order.

CENTER HOURS:

The Center is currently closed to general public access. Only registered participants may enter the center for their scheduled classes. Please visit the city's website for updates at covinaca.gov.

OPERATING HOURS*:

Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm, Friday, 8:30 am-1:30 pm

*Office hours may differ due to current health order.

FITNESS CENTER IS OPEN!

The Fitness Center will be open beginning Monday, January 10, Monday- Friday, 9 am-1 pm. Advanced reservations required for 1 hour work out sessions. NO WALK-INS. Reservations are taken on Wednesdays only beginning January 5.

There will be limited access to the Fitness Center. You must be a member and wear your wristband to attend.

HOLIDAY CLOSURES:

Friday, December 24-Saturday, January 1 (Holiday Closure)

Monday, January 17 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

Monday, February 21 (President's Day)

DRIVE-THRU NUTRITION PROGRAM (60 & Up)

The Nutrition Program will continue to operate as a drive-thru program to Covina residents only until further notice. The program provides seven meals for the week on Thursdays by reservation only one week in advance. Funded in part by Community Development Block Grant and with Federal funding through the LA County Area Agency on Aging, program is administered by YWCA of San Gabriel Valley. For reservations, call (626) 756-7054, Thursdays, beginning at 10 am one week in advance of drive-thru date.

HOME DELIVERED MEAL PROGRAM (Ages 55 and older)

The Home Delivered Meal Program is offered through YWCA of San Gabriel Valley and provides healthy meals to homebound older adults. The frozen meals are delivered in a package of 7 once per week. A quick client assessment to see if the client meets the criteria is handled over the phone by calling Gloria at (626) 214-9467 (English) and Araceli at (626) 214-9463 (Spanish).

FREE BIRTHDAY CANDY BAR CELEBRATIONS

Celebrate your birthday with a sweet treat ... a birthday candy bar! Must be registered through the nutrition program.

Day: Thursday

Dates: January 20, February 17, March 17





PROGRAMS & SERVICES

FREE TAX PREPARATION (FOR 50 & UP)

Sponsored by AARP – Tax preparers are certified volunteers through AARP. You do not have to be an AARP member to take advantage of this free service. Appointment required by calling (626) 384-5380. Covina Residents call from January 17-31 for priority. After January 31, non-residents may call for an appointment. Participants must follow current county guidelines.

Day & Time: Fridays, 9 am-2 pm

Dates: February 4-April 8

If you're interested in becoming a volunteer tax preparer, please call AARP at 1-888-227-7669.

FREE LEGAL ASSURANCE

Call (626) 384-5380 to make phone appointment with KEVIN STAPLETON (for 55 and up)

Day & Time: Friday, 10-11 am

Dates: January 7, 21, February 2, 18, March 4 or 18

SOCIAL SERVICES FOR SENIORS

Funded by Community Development Block Grant and coordinated by YWCA of San Gabriel Valley, seniors who reside in Covina are assisted with finding resources to main living independently in their homes for as long as it is safely possible. Services are provided free of charge. Donations from clients and their families are accepted and gratefully acknowledged. Assistance is available in English and Spanish.

CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Case Management services include a comprehensive assessment of the client, care plan for services, and monthly contract to monitor and modify services as needed. Appointments required, call (626) 587-4496. Appointments available 9 am-12 pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month.

SERVICES INCLUDE:

HOMEMAKER SERVICES: Temporary assistance for clients in the form of meal preparation, basic household tasks, and activities of daily living.

PERSONAL CARE SERVICES: Temporary assistance to frail clients to maintain bodily hygiene, personal safety, and activities of daily living.

RESPIRE SERVICES: Temporary assistance to a Client in the absence of their current caregiver.

REGISTRY SERVICES: Providers are background screened and interviewed prior to being placed on a Registry list. Services are at a negotiated rate between the client and the Registry provider. You must be a Case Management Client to utilize Registry services.

TELEPHONE REASSURANCE: Volunteers make weekly telephone calls to homebound seniors to check on their safety, well-being, and provide contact with the outside world.

TRANSPORTATION: Senior Ride/Access Services

ASSISTIVE EQUIPMENT: Needed equipment, such as walkers, commodes, canes, and wheelchairs may be delivered to clients.

HOUSING REFERRALS: Housing lists and assistance with placement.

PAPERWORK: Assistance with Social Security issues/Advocacy for Seniors/Consultations.

INFORMATION AND REFERRAL (Ages 55 and older)

This is a free service. Staff maintains a resource file of local programs and services that contribute to the health and well-being of older adults. If you need access to services, call (626) 384-5380, or contact the 24-hour LA County INFO LINE at (626) 350-6833.

ADVISORY COMMITTEES AND CLUBS

All Committee meetings and clubs will resume meetings as soon as Los Angeles County Department of Public Health orders state it is safe to allow regular Senior Programming.

COVINA PUBLIC LIBRARY

234 N. Second Ave. (626) 384-5303, Email: covinalibrary@covinaca.gov

NEW LIBRARY HOURS! (EFFECTIVE 1/4/22)
Tuesday- Friday, 10 am -6 pm Saturday, 10 am-4 pm

(AT THE TIME OF PRINTING, FACIAL COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED WHILE IN THE LIBRARY.)

HOLIDAY CLOSURES

Friday, December 24-Saturday, January 1 (Christmas and New Year's), Saturday, January 15 (Martin Luther King Jr, Day), Saturday, February 19 (President's Day)

CONTACT INFORMATION

Circulation (626) 384-5303, Children's Services (626) 384-5312, Literacy Services (626) 384-5280

COVINA LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Denae Amaya, Jeanne McCabe, Rosie Richardson and Diana Mullins

KIDS' CORNER

MAKERSPACE Ages 8-10)

Explore your imagination and use your creativity! This program challenges children to think outside the box, use math, science, engineering, and analytical thinking skills to solve a problem. For January and March, craft kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Circulation Desk. The February date will be an in-person activity and will require preregistration.

Register in-person at the Children's Desk or by calling (626) 384-5312. Space is limited! Preregistration Dates (February only): February 5-12

Day & Time: Saturday, 10 am-5 pm

January 15: Toilet Paper Roll Honeycomb Structures

February 19: Hidden Figures Space Capsule

March 19: Robot Hands

STORYTIME (In-person Storytime is back!)

Join us for this interactive program as we read stories, sing songs, and have fun! Preregistration is required.

Register in-person at the Children's Desk or call (626) 384-5312. Space is limited!

Preregistration Dates: January 11-22

Dates: January 19-March 9

Day & Time: Wednesday, 11 am

BRIGHT BEGINNINGS (Ages 6 mos.-3 yrs.) – FREE!

Introduce your child to the world of books by picking up a reading kit! Reading kits help prepare children for learning how to read and contain great tips and ideas to expand learning at home through everyday activities right from the start! Reading kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Pickup Day & Time: Saturday, 10 am-5 pm

Dates: January 8, February 5, March 5

GRAB & GO KIDS' CRAFTS – FREE!

Children will develop their artistic skills while learning and making fun crafts. For Jan. and March, craft kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Circulation Desk. The Feb. date will be an in-person activity and requires preregistration.

Register in-person at the Circulation Desk or by calling (626) 384-5303. Space is limited.

Preregistration Dates (February only): Jan.29-Feb. 5

Day & Time: Saturday, 10 am-5 pm

January 8: Honey Slime

February 12: Peace Wreath

March 5: Accordion Envelope Books

NEW RESOURCES

LEARNING PLATFORMS

Want to brush up on your skills or learn a new skill? How about taking classes on topics such as health and wellness, cooking, travel, and more? Through a partnership with the California State Library, the Covina Public Library is excited to bring 6 new FREE learning platforms to our community. For full details please visit <https://covinaca.gov/library/page/online-learning>

WONDERBOOKS

Want to inspire your child to fall in love with reading and improve literacy skills? Wonderbooks are fun interactive read-along book that helps to boost critical literacy skills. Visit the Library and checkout a Wonderbook today!

PRESSREADER

Want to read magazines or newspapers from around the world? PressReader has over 7,000 publications from 150 countries in 65 languages. Search content, print articles, and much more. Go to <https://covinaca.gov/library/page/e-books-audio> and click on PressReader to get started.

YOUR E-RESOURCES LIBRARY

E-BOOKS – AUDIOBOOKS – VIDEOS

Can't make it to the Library? Access the e-media collection from home or on the go! Use your computer and go to <https://scdl.overdrive.com> or download the Overdrive app on your smart device. Select the Covina Public Library from the drop-down menu and enter your Library Card number. It's that easy!

ABCmouse – FREE @ YOUR LIBRARY

Explore ABCmouse.com's award-winning invaluable resource for young learners, ages 2-8+. Enjoy fun interactive activities while learning reading, math, science, social studies, art and music!

TEEN SPACE

TWEENS ON THE GO (Ages 10-13)

Tweens are welcome to visit the library and pick up a craft kit! Kits are provided on a first-come, first-served basis. For January and March, craft kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Circulation Desk. The February date will be an in-person activity and will require preregistration. Register in-person at the Circulation Desk or call (626) 384-5303. Space is limited.

Preregistration Dates (February only):

February 12-19

Day & Time: Saturday, 10 am-5 pm

January 29: Winnie the Pooh Themed Lava Lamps

February 12: Freedom Quilt

March 26: Zine Lab

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS FOR EVERYONE

IN-PERSON BILINGUAL FAMILY STORYTIME - NEW!

Join us the last Saturday of each month for stories and songs in English and Spanish. Read, sing, and play in two languages! Preregistration is required. Register in-person at the Circulation Desk or call (626) 384-5303. Space is limited.

Preregistration Dates (February only):

January 11-22

Day & Time: Saturday, 11 am

Dates: January 29, February 26, March 26

READ ACROSS AMERICA & DR. SEUSS'S BIRTHDAY!!

Join us for an in-person storytime and a craft in celebration of Dr. Seuss's Birthday and Read Across America Day! Preregistration is required. Register in-person at the Children's Desk or call (626) 384-5312. Space is limited!

Dates: February 15-25

Day & Time: Wednesday, March 2, 5-6 pm

ADULT PROGRAMS

ADULT DIY

Want to hone in your creative skills? Pick up a kit and do some DIYing at home! For January and March, DIY craft kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis at the Circulation Desk. The February date will be an in-person activity and will require preregistration. Register in-person at the Circulation Desk or call (626) 384-5303. Space is limited.

Preregistration Dates (February only):

January 22-29

Day & Time: Saturday, 10 am-5 pm

January 8: Bee-Less Honey

February 5: Paintings Inspired by Alma Woodsey Thomas

March 5: Loom Knitting

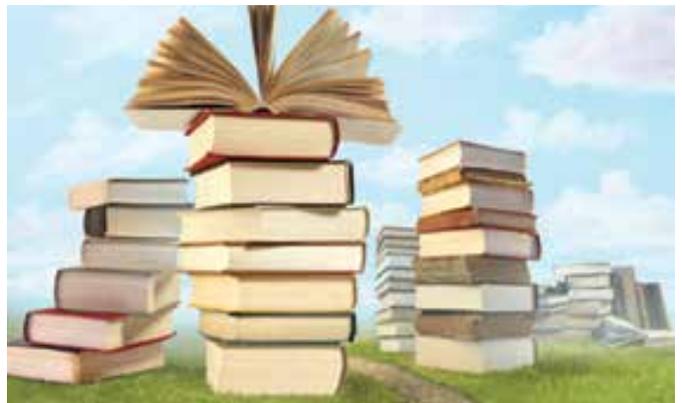
MYSTERY WHODUNIT BOOK CLUB

Do you like stories that keep you in suspense? How about tales that terrify you? Or perhaps pages with puzzling plots? If so, then the Mystery Whodunit Book Club is for you! Join us every first Wednesday of the month in the Community Room to meet with fellow mystery enthusiasts as they discuss the latest book that captivated their imagination and kept them on the edge of their seat! For more information on how to participate, please contact the Circulation Desk at (626) 384-5303

January 5: White Out by Ragnar Jonasson

February 2: Djinn Patrol on the Purple Line by Deepa Anappara

March 2: The Devil May Dance by Jake Tapper



READING BECOMES ECLECTIC BOOK CLUB

Established in 2018, the Friends of the Covina Public Library's Reading Becomes Eclectic Book Club is dedicated to the exploration and discussion of nearly every genre of the printed word, whether fiction or nonfiction, and has included mysteries, science fiction epics, horror, historical tomes, biographies, classic literature, New York Times bestselling novels, sports journalism, mythology, poetry, and much more (as the term "eclectic" suggests).

"The sky is truly the limit and everyone is welcome to participate!" says Maurice Kane, founder of Reading Becomes Eclectic. Everyone in the group I invited to choose a book for the group to read during the year. The only expectation for members, is they attend the meeting that their selected work is being discussed. Email kanemaurice@hotmail.com for information.

Dates & Selections:

- January 19:** Fifty Words for Rain by Asha Lemmie
February 16: Valentine by Elizabeth Wetmore
March 16: The Things They Carried by Tim O'Brien

THE FRIENDS OF THE COVINA PUBLIC LIBRARY

Founded in 1962, The Friends is a group of volunteers who support the Library through various fundraising activities. Become a FRIEND today! For more information, contact Maurice Kane at (909) 374-7109.

LITERACY @ YOUR LIBRARY

Funded in part by the California Library Literacy Services, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, and the Community Development Block Grant.

The Second Start Literacy Program is committed to lifelong learning and educational enrichment. Programs are designed to help improve reading, writing, and math skills through individual and small group tutoring by trained volunteers. **CONTACT INFORMATION:** please call (626) 384-5280 or email ljimenez@covina.ca.gov

TUTOR INTEREST SESSION

Want to make a difference in your community? Consider becoming a Literacy tutor! Join us and learn about the Second Start Literacy Program and how YOU can become a tutor. Tutors must be 18 years or older.

Date & Time: Saturday, February 5, 10-11 am

WINTER FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

Read, learn and grow together one book at a time! Join us for fun, family-friendly activities and free giveaways. Please call (626) 384-5280 to register.

Registration Dates: January 4-22

Date & Time: Weds., Jan. 26, 5-6 pm

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

This program teaches basic reading, writing, grammar, and more!

CLASS	DAYS & TIMES	DATES
Level 1 & 2	Tue./Thurs., 1:30-2:30 pm	Jan. 11-March 17
Level 3 & 4	Wed./Friday, 1:30-2:30 pm	Jan. 12- March 13
Levels 5 & 6	Wed./Friday, 5-6 pm	Jan. 12-March 18

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) - IN PERSON CLASSES

Practice and improve speaking, reading, and writing in English.

CLASS	DAYS & TIMES	DATES
Low & High Beginning ESL	Tue./Thurs., 10-11 am	Jan. 11-Mar.17
Low & High Intermediate ESL	Wed./Friday, 10-11 am	Jan. 12- March 18

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) - ZOOM CLASSES

CLASS	DAYS & TIMES	DATES
Low & High Intermediate	Wed./Friday, 11:30 am-12:30 pm	Jan. 12- March 18

CITIZENSHIP PREPARATION CLASSES

Learn U.S. history and civics, practice reading, writing and improve English skills for the citizenship interview.

Dates: January 15-March 19

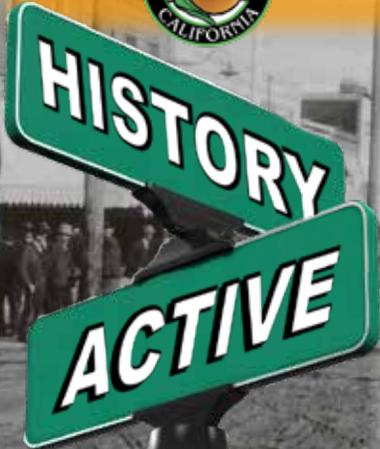
Day & Time: Saturday, 10-11 am

TREE OF GRATITUDE

Thank you so much for sending in your messages of Gratitude. Here's a little bit of what was submitted by our wonderful patrons!



COVINA HISTORICAL SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR



From Park to Pillars

Have you ever wondered about the historical significance of the stone pillars you spot around the city or what the city looked like at the turn of the 20th Century? Participate in the Covina Historical Walking Tour Program to learn about Covina's history while building healthy and active lifestyle habits!

The tour begins and ends at Heritage Plaza, 400 N. Citrus Ave. Maps and Guides available now at www.covinaca.gov/parksrec or at the Parks & Recreation office, 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave. For more information, please call (626) 384-5340.

Online Registration is quick, easy, and convenient!

**Register Anytime
Any place**

**Ready when you are
24/7**

Visit the Parks & Recreation webpage at www.covinaca.gov/parksrec.
Click on the Online Registration link to get started! It's that easy!

Setup your account, choose your activities, register and pay!



YOUTH SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS

For information specific to league play, please contact the league directly as noted below.

AMERICAN YOUTH SOCCER ORGANIZATION (A.Y.S.O.) - REGION 602

Website: www.aysoregion602.com
Contact: Todd Flink, (626) 226-6075
Email: Tfink602ayso@gmail.com

AUTISM SPECTRUM ATHLETICS (Ages 4-18)

Website: www.autismspectrumathletics.org
Email: autismspectrumathletics@yahoo.com

CHARTER OAK YOUTH BASEBALL & SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION

Website: www.coybsa.com
Contact: Jennifer Lopez, President
Email: Info.coybsa@gmail.com

CHARTER OAK YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING

Website: www.coyfc.com

COVINA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION Pony Division-Ages 13-14, Colt Division-Ages 15-16

Contact: Gilbert Morales, President, (626) 966-1617

COVINA VIKINGS YOUTH FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING

Website: www.covinavikings.org
Contacts: Frances Martinez, President, (626) 222-4837
Email: fmartinez@gmail.com
Information: Signups begin in February
Season: July-November

KARE YOUTH LEAGUE

Website: www.kyl.org
Contact: (626) 442-1160
Email: info@kyl.org

NATIONAL JUNIOR BASKETBALL (NJB)

Website: www.covinavalleynjb.sportngin.com
Contact: (909) 519-5625
Email: lacey4group@cs.com

Community Organizations

COVINA WOMAN'S CLUB

The club was first organized in 1898, and is the oldest service club in Covina. Members dedicate themselves to education, fine arts, Veterans' needs, domestic violence prevention, youth activities and health and safety. They provide scholarship funds to local high schools and colleges. Join a group of women who make a difference. Visitors are more than welcome!

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Due to pandemic, please visit the club's website for updates regarding meetings.

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month, 11 am
Address: 128 South San Jose, Covina, CA 91723
Phone: (626) 967-1963
Website: www.covinawomansclub.org

COVINA VALLEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Covina Valley Historical Society was established in 1969 to preserve and promote the history of the Covina Valley. The Society operates two museums, including the Firehouse Jail Museum in the City Hall courtyard and the Heritage House located on the west side of Covina Park. A quarterly dinner meeting and program, monthly walking tours, and several special events are also held throughout the year.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Due to pandemic, museum is temporarily closed. Please visit website for updated information.

Website: www.covinamuseum.org
Email: covinamuseum@gmail.com

COVINA CONCERT BAND – Directed by Dan Glass

Can you play a band instrument? Do you enjoy performing? Do you like volunteering? Joining the band is the answer! The band performs at over 20 concerts per year that include Disneyland, Forest Lawn, and Southern California Community Band Festival. The band is seeking volunteers to assist with a variety of nonmusical activities that include publicity and fundraising.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Address: 340 North Valencia Place, Covina, CA 91723
Website: covinaconcertband.org
Email: covinaconcertband@yahoo.com

COVINA FARMERS MARKET

Stop by for fresh produce, nuts, and honey. Retail and craft vendors will also be there for great shopping!

Day & Time: Fridays, 5-9 pm

Location: Heritage Plaza, 400 N. Citrus Ave.

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Website: www.covinafarmersmarket.com
Phone: (928) 854-1105
Email: cfm@covinafarmersmarket.com

DISTRICT FORMATION PROCESS

The City of Covina currently elects its City Councilmembers through an “at-large” election system in which each Councilmember can reside anywhere in the City and is elected by the voters of the entire City to provide citywide representation. On September 7, 2021, the City received a letter challenging the City's current election method and asserting that the City's at-large election system violates the California Voting Rights Act and demanding that the City change its at-large voting system to a district-based election system. A district-based election system is generally one in which a city is divided into separate districts, with each district's voters electing a representative from that district, who must also be a resident of the district.

While the City believes its current election system is consistent with the law and does not violate state or federal voting rights, the cost of litigation to defend the at-large system, coupled with the track record of other public agencies that have fought similar challenges, poses a significant financial and legal risk to the City. Due to these risks, on October 21, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution CC 2021-117, declaring its intent to transition to district-based elections beginning in the upcoming June 2022 election cycle.

The City of Covina is not unique in this situation. Agencies throughout the State have received similar demand letters prompting a shift from at-large to district-based elections. Locally, the cities of West Covina, San Dimas, Glendora and Duarte have engaged in similar processes and statewide, it has been reported that over 300 public agencies have made this transition.

The City of Covina is beginning the district formation process to create voting districts to elect City Council members. The City has kicked off the district formation process with a new dedicated district formation website: MapCovina.org. The new website includes background information on the move to district elections, the schedule of upcoming meetings, and frequently asked questions.

Beginning in 2022, voters will vote for one City Council Member who lives in their district instead of voting for all City Council Members in current “at-large” citywide elections. Covina's districting process will determine representation on the City Council for Covina community members moving forward.

The switch to district-based elections is a process that many cities in California are undergoing to meet the standards of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001. The CVRA gave more robust legal backing to minority groups

GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION JUNE 7, 2022

The next General Municipal Election will be June 7, 2022, for the election of three councilmembers, a city clerk, and a city treasurer.

Citizens interested in running for office may contact the City Clerk Department at (626) 384-5430 or cityclerk@covinaca.gov for more information.

in California who have expressed that “at-large” elections have diluted their voting rights.

Covina invites residents to participate in the district formation process to ensure district lines respect neighborhoods, history, and geographical elements. The City Council began hosting Public Hearings in November and community members are encouraged to participate in upcoming meetings listed below:

- **Tuesday, December 14, 2021** - Final deadline to submit maps for consideration for Public Hearing #3
- **Tuesday, December 21, 2021**, at 7:30 PM - Public Hearing #3 - Map presentation, discussion of election sequence
- **Tuesday, December 23, 2021** - Final deadline to submit maps for consideration for Public Hearing #4
- **Tuesday, January 4, 2022**, at 7:30 PM - Public Hearing #4 - Map presentation; introduction/first reading of ordinance to adopt district map/election sequence
- **Tuesday, January 18, 2022**, at 7:30 PM - Public Hearing #5 - Second reading of Ordinance to adopt district map/election sequence

Once maps are submitted, the City's consultants will review each map for compliance. All draft maps submitted by the deadlines will be posted on the districting website seven days prior to the Public Hearing. The City Council will receive all maps submitted by the public.

Instead of residents being limited to saying they support or oppose a City-prepared ordinance or resolution, they can draw a map for City Council to consider for adoption. Once mapping tools become available, residents can draw the borders of their neighborhood, a proposed Council district or sketch an entire citywide map.

To sign up for updates and information about the districting process and future public meetings, please visit MapCovina.org or email districting@covinaca.gov.



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INDOOR RENTALS ARE COMING BACK MARCH 2022!

- COUGAR PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
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- SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER **NEW!**

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**APPLICATIONS FOR INDOOR RENTALS
WILL BE ACCEPTED BEGINNING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022**

FACILITY AND PARK RENTAL FAQ

Can I rent a facility or park space on a holiday?

Facilities are NOT available for rent on major holidays and holiday weekends.

Are tables and chairs included in the rental fee?

Yes, for indoor facility rentals tables and chairs are provided. The number and type of tables and chairs vary by the location.

Are alcoholic beverages allowed at any rental?

No, alcoholic beverages are not permitted in any city building or city park.

How far in advance do I need to submit my rental application?

Applications must be submitted at least 45 calendar days in advance.

Do I get a resident discount when renting a facility or park space?

For some park spaces and facilities, the hourly/use rate for Covina residents and non-residents differ. Please see rental application for pricing and general policies.

Where can I find the facility and park rental application?

You can find the application at <https://covina.gov/parksrec> or at the Parks & Recreation office located at 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave.

PARK SYSTEM REFERENCE GUIDE

BANNA PARK - Cypress St. and N. Banna Ave. (2 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10 pm

Amenities: Dog park, playground (5-12 years), outdoor fitness equipment, and picnic tables.

COVINA PARK - 301 N. Fourth Ave. (10 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10:30 pm

Amenities: Playgrounds (tots-12 years), sport fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, roller rink, horseshoe pit, Aquatic Center, Recreation Hall, historical murals, parking, picnic tables, restrooms, and barbecues.

COUGAR PARK - 150 W. Puente St. (1 acre) - Hours are 5 am-10 pm

Amenities: Playground (5-12 years), outdoor fitness equipment, splash pad, Community Center, Community Garden, historical mural and display panels, parking, restrooms, and picnic tables.

EDNA PARK - 220 W. Edna Pl. (2 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10 pm

Amenities: Playground (2-12 years) and picnic tables.

HERITAGE PLAZA - 400 N. Citrus Ave. (2 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10 pm

Amenities: Playground (2-5 years), historical walk, parking, restrooms, and picnic tables.

HOLLENBECK PARK - 1250 N. Hollenbeck Ave. (10 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10:30 pm

Amenities: Playground (5-12 years), sport fields, basketball courts, Parks & Recreation office, parking, restrooms, and picnic tables.

JOBÉ'S GLEN AT JALAPA PARK - Village Oaks Dr. & E. Garvey Ave. No. (2 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10 pm

Amenities: Playground (5-12 years) and picnic tables.

SUNKIST PARK (formerly Kelby Park) - 815 N. Barranca Ave. (6 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10:30 pm

Amenities: Playground (5-12 years), sport fields, Senior and Community Center, parking, restrooms, and picnic tables.

THREE OAKS PARK - 829 Oak Park Rd. (<1 acre) - Hours are 5 am-10 pm

Amenities: Green space only.

WINGATE PARK - 735 N. Glendora Ave. (17 acres) - Hours are 5 am-10 pm

Amenities: Playground (5-12 years), sport fields, basketball & tennis courts, roller rink, parking, restrooms, picnic tables, and nature trail.

Everybody
Gets To
Play!

PARK INFORMATION - FAQ

Are dogs allowed at city parks?

Yes, dogs are permitted at all city parks as long as they remain on a leash at all times. Banna Park is home to the only dog park in our park system.

Are jumpers or Inflatables allowed in parks?

Jumpers or other inflatables are **NOT** permitted.

If I want to host a small birthday party at the park do I have to reserve the space?

If your party is expecting less than 50 guests, then the space can be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are expecting more than 50 guests, it may be required that you complete a rental application to reserve the park area.

Can I BBQ in the park?

Yes, but you must carry out all coals. Propane grills are recommended.

Are outdoor sports fields available to rent?

Yes, our athletic fields are available to rent when not being used for city programming. They are rented out in two-hour periods. Note the city does not have baseball fields.

Do any city parks have a running track or fitness equipment?

Covina Park has a brand-new all-weather quarter mile track with handicap accessible workout stations placed at different points along the track. Banna Park has a walking path and workout stations. Cougar Park has two pieces of multi-purpose exercise equipment.

Do any city parks have Pickleball Courts?

Covina Park has 2 pickleball courts located inside the hockey rink. Portable nets are required. Pickleball priority use times are posted onsite and on the City website.





Interested in becoming an Police Officer for Covina?



The Covina Police Department is excited to share some good news! The streets of Covina will soon have two more Officers in training to help keep our city safe. Police Recruit David Rodriguez will be graduating from the Rio Hondo Police Academy, and Police Recruit Pablo Sanchez

will be graduating from the San Bernardino Sheriff's Academy. After graduation, they will be participating in a post-academy at the Covina Police Department, where they receive instruction and are trained with additional equipment specific to our department. Then they are ready to hit the streets in a training car, where they will rotate through three different, experienced, Field Training Officers, who will guide them through months of additional on the job training. Only after a six-month police academy, six months of field training, and a total of 18 months on probation, will an Officer be deemed ready to help safeguard our streets on their own.

Interested in becoming an Officer for the City of Covina? Our newly redesigned website easily guides you through the process and answers questions you may have.



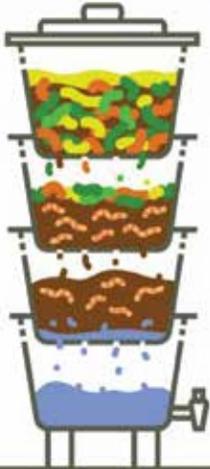
A Recruitment Officer is ready to answer those detailed questions, and help you get started with the process.

Becoming an Officer is not the only potential new career opportunity we have to offer! We have positions in Records or Dispatching that may be the right new job for you. Visit our website covinapd.org for more info, or better yet, call us today.

FEED THE WORMS!

Our newest employees here at City Hall are hungry! One thousand red worms will eat about half a pound of food waste per day. Worm composting (or Vermicomposting) is a great way to keep food out of our local landfills and to prevent the generation of greenhouse gases such as methane. With the State's SB 1383 organic

recycling requirements set to go into effect on January 1, 2022, worm composting at home or office may become a new trend in order to dispose of leftover banana peels and coffee grounds. Worms don't have teeth, so they quietly digest everything from fruit peels, apple cores, old bread, pulverized eggshells, cardboard, shredded paper and towels. They cannot eat meat, dairy or spicy foods, so please don't add them to your



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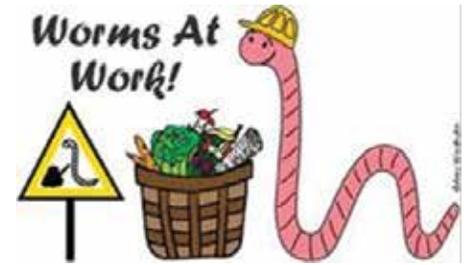
worm bin. Going on vacation and worried about feeding your new wiggly friends?

No worries, just add shredded and moistened newspaper or cardboard to the bin

and they will have a continuous source of food while you are away. The compost harvested from your worm bin is great for houseplants and gardens. "Worm Tea" can also be collected and used as a liquid fertilizer for houseplants.

- For more information about worm composting, stop by City Hall to visit our worm bin!
- Or go online and watch videos on vermicomposting at www.smartgardening.com.

If you are interested in purchasing a worm bin and starter worms, just go online and search. There are several vendors who provide both bins and worms.



Christmas Tree Recycling

Athens Services will collect Christmas trees on the regular trash collection day from **December 27 through January 14.**

- ◆ Single Family Residents - place Christmas tree at curbside next to barrels
- ◆ Multi-Family Residents - place Christmas tree next to the refuse dumpster

Remember to remove ornaments, nails, tinsel, and tree stands. Flocked trees or trees coated with a fire retardant will also be accepted. **DO NOT wrap trees in plastic.**

Happy Holidays!

For more information, please contact Athens Services at (888) 336-6100.





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The Parks & Recreation Department is committed to providing recreation programs for all City of Covina residents.

Through the "Build a Dream" Scholarship program, funds are made available for Covina residents in need of financial assistance to participate in activities offered by the Parks & Recreation Department. Proof of residency and demonstration of financial need required.

For more information, please call the Covina Parks & Recreation Department at (626) 384-5340 or email parksandrecreation@covinaca.gov





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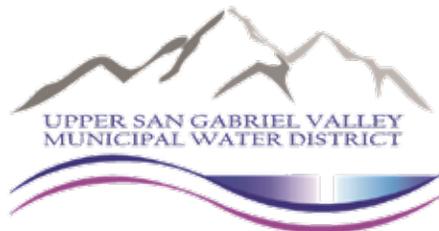


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